



### High Spots in Two Years of World's War.

**1914**

June 28—Archduke Ferdinand of Austria and wife assassinated at Sarajevo, Bosnia, by Serb student, Princip.

July 23—Austria makes impossible demands on Serbia.

July 28—Austria declares war on Serbia; Germany mobilizes fleet.

July 31—All stock markets of world closed.

August 1—Germany declares war on Russia.

August 3—Germany declares war on France and Belgium and invades Belgium.

August 4—England declares state of war exists with Germany. Liege attacked.

August 5—Kitchener appointed secretary of war.

August 6—Austria declares war on Russia.

August 9—Serbia declares war on Germany.

August 11—Germany invades France at Longway; Montenegro declares war on Germany, France on Austria.

August 12—England declares war on Austria.

August 20—Germans occupy Brussels.

August 23—Japan at war with Germany.

August 26—Germans surrender Togoland to British.

August 28—Five German warships sunk off Helgoland.

Sept. 1—Germans defeat Russians at Allenstein.

Sept. 3—French capital moved to Bordeaux.

Sept. 7—Germans advance on Paris turned back at the Marne.

Sept. 12—Allies attack Germans in their trenches on the Aisne, opening the world's greatest battle.

Sept. 26—Russians occupy Ussuk pass.

Oct. 3—Russians defeat Germans at Augustowo.

Oct. 9—Germans capture Antwerp.

Sept. 13—Boers revolt in British South Africa.

Sept. 24—Germans driven out of Russia.

Sept. 30—Russia declares war on Turkey.

Nov. 1—Germans sink Admiral Craddock's fleet off Chile.

Nov. 9—Germans surrender Tsingtau.

Nov. 27—Austrians evacuate Czernowitz.

Dec. 1—Gen. DeWet captured, ending South African revolt.

Dec. 2—Austrians occupy Belgrade.

Dec. 8—Four German cruisers sunk by British off Falkland Islands.

Dec. 14—Serbs retake Belgrade.

Dec. 25—Italy seizes Avlona, Albania.

**1915.**

Feb. 2—Britain declares all food contraband.

Feb. 4—Last Boer rebels surrender.

Feb. 10—Russians abandon Czernowitz.

Feb. 11—United States warns belligerents not to attack American ships.

Feb. 17—Germans begin submarine blockade, despite United States protest.

Feb. 23—United States steamer Carib sunk by North Sea mine.

March 18—Three ally battleships sunk in Dardanelles.

March 22—Russians take Przemyśl.

March 23—Allies land at Dardanelles.

March 25—Russians take Lupkow pass in Carpathians.

May 2—Russians defeated in Western Galicia, retreat.

May 7—Lusitania sunk by U-boat; 1099 die; 100 Americans.

May 13—Wilson demands reparation for Lusitania lives.

May 22—Italy declares war on Austria.

June 2—Austrians and Germans retake Przemyśl.

June 9—Bryan quits Wilson cabinet.

June 14—Von Mackensen opens great drive against Russia.

June 29—Germans in Galicia cross Russian frontier.

July 8—Gen. Botha captures German Southwest Africa.

Aug. 6—Germans capture Warsaw.

Aug. 10—Russians drive Turkish Caucasus army into Armenia.

Sept. 1—Germany agrees to sink no more liners without warning.

Sept. 8—Grand Duke Nicholas removed from Russian command.

Sept. 10—United States asks recall of Austrian Ambassador, Dunbar.

Sept. 25—Allies' drive begun in France; 20,000 captured.

Oct. 6—French and British land in Greece.

Oct. 9—Germans occupy Belgrade, invading Serbia.

Oct. 10—Bulgaria attacks Serbia.

Oct. 21—Russians halt German advance.

Nov. 6—Bulgarians take Nish, Serb capital.

Dec. 1—Turks defeat British near Bagdad.

Dec. 4—Ford peace party sails.

Dec. 9—All Allies driven from Serbia.

Dec. 19—Allies evacuate Gallipoli.

Dec. 25—Ford leaves peace party.

**1916.**

Jan. 9—Last ally soldier leaves Dardanelles.

Jan. 17—Montenegro makes separate peace.

Jan. 19—Russians begin new offensive on Bessarabian front.

Feb. 14—Russians capture Erzerum.

Feb. 23—Germans open attack on Verdun.

April 18—Russians capture Trebizond.

April 19—Russians land in France.

April 24—Irish revolt in Dublin.

April 28—British surrender to Turks at Kut-el-Amara.

May 1—Leaders of Irish rebels executed.

May 15—Austrians open offensive against Italy.

May 30—Fourteen British and 18 German warships sunk in great naval battle in North Sea.

June 5—Lord Kitchener drowned when cruiser Hampshire is torpedoed off Orkney Islands.

June 7—Italians turn back Austrian drive.

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June 17—Russians retake Czernowitz.

June 20—Arabs rebel from Turkey, capture Mecca.

June 27—Anglo-French drive renewed.

July 4—Russians re-enter Hungary.

July 9—German submarine liner reaches Baltimore.

July 18—Great Britain promulgates blacklist of American firms under "trading with the enemy act."

July 27—Germans execute Captain Fryatt of British liner for alleged attempt to ram submarine.

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The Lady Who Wrote to President Wilson Has a Good Deal to Be Thankful For.

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The President, in his reply, has explained to her that the National Guard is at the border "not for the purpose of a drill, but for the purpose of protecting the country," and that he "cannot believe that the men of the National Guard would wish to be excused from it, or would lose heart because of the discomforts and inconveniences of the service."

If Mrs. Henry Smith were a wise woman she would not be writing to the President bawling the trifling hardships to which her son is obliged to submit as a member of the National Guard. She would be down on her knees thanking God that the President is exerting every honorable effort to bring about a peaceful solution of the difficulties with Mexico, and that her boy is not already out on the firing line with the boys of 400,000 other American mothers.

The hardship to which the National Guard is subjected on the Texas frontier are about equal to the hardships of an ordinary strenuous vacation in the Maine or the Minnesota woods; but war is serious business. When Mrs. Henry Smith thinks about the petty inconveniences to which her son is subjected, let her think also of the millions of boys in Europe who are in the trenches and who are dying daily by the thousand in the midst of the most ghastly warfare known to human history.

Let her think of the boys lying on the fields with arms blown off, or legs blown off, or faces blown off, perishing in horrible agony for the lack of medical assistance which cannot be given them.

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a wretched existence as hopeless invalids.

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Let her try to visualize the hourly terrors of a war in which 8,000,000 or 10,000,000 men have already been killed or wounded—most of them boys like her boy.

Then let her remember that except for the statesmanship of Woodrow Wilson the body of her own son might be lying to-day in an unmarked grave in Flanders or France.

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There are millions of Mrs. Henry Smiths in this country with boys who would be subject to military duty if the United States went to war. When they are disposed to find fault with the policies of the President, let them devote a little prayerful consideration to the millions of Mrs. Henry Smiths in Europe whose boys are now only memories. But for President Wilson these American mothers would be drinking the bitter dregs of that same cup.

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